

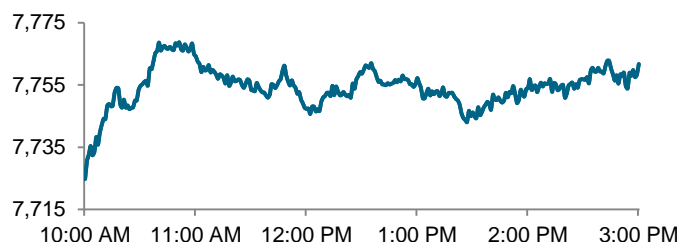
DAILY MARKETS OVERVIEW

السعودي الفرنسي كابيتال
Saudi Fransi Capital
تميز في الخدمة، تفوق في الأداء



MARCH 22, 2018

TASI Intraday



Source: Reuters

Saudi Stock Indices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Saudi (TASI)	7,762	0.5	0.2	7.4	17.2
Saudi (NOMU)	2,977	-1.5	-1.5	-5.2	21.7
Energy	4,887	0.9	2.3	14.2	16.4
Materials	5,495	0.5	0.5	8.7	22.1
Capital Goods	4,269	0.2	0.3	-1.7	14.6
Com. & Prof. Svc	4,405	-0.2	0.7	4.7	17.7
Transportation	4,322	0.9	1.5	7.7	16.3
Cons. Durables & Apparel	3,938	0.7	0.8	-4.9	NA
Consumer Services	3,871	-0.6	1.5	5.0	15.5
Media	9,604	-2.0	-0.1	24.1	NA
Retailing	6,848	2.6	2.3	21.6	21.4
Food & Staples Retailing	6,886	0.3	0.5	22.7	24.8
Food & Beverages	5,047	1.2	-0.7	3.1	27.4
Health Care Equipment	4,900	0.7	0.8	10.3	21.9
Pharma, Biotech & Life Science	4,011	1.2	1.3	1.0	10.0
Banks	6,198	0.5	0.5	12.7	11.8
Diversified Financials	3,909	0.2	-0.8	-3.0	NA
Insurance	4,434	0.3	1.0	-6.1	23.3
Telecommunication	4,702	0.3	-3.6	10.6	16.7
Utilities	4,392	-3.6	-4.4	-3.7	12.2
REITs	4,199	-0.6	-1.1	-9.4	NA
Real Estate	4,149	0.3	0.2	-11.7	38.4

Sources: Bloomberg, Reuters, Tadawul

Top 5 Gainers

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Saudi Company for Hardware	133.20	10.0%	8.5
Middle East Healthcare Co.	57.55	5.7%	40.3
Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co.	11.43	3.4%	468.5
AXA Cooperative Insurance Co.	26.72	3.4%	19.3
United International Transportation Co.	33.48	3.1%	15.0

Source: Tadawul

Latest Earnings

Company	Date	Period	Q NI (SAR mn)	Y/Y %	Q EPS (SAR)	Vs. Consensus
Electrical Industries Co.	21-Mar	4Q17	24.3	23.4	0.54	NA
Eastern Province Cement Co.	21-Mar	4Q17	8.0	-84.3	0.09	NA
Takween Advanced Industries Co.	21-Mar	4Q17	-97.6	NM	-1.03	NA
Saudi Electricity Co.	21-Mar	4Q17	-5,521.0	NM	-1.33	NA
Saudi Steel Pipe Co.	20-Mar	4Q17	15.7	NM	0.31	NA

Source: Tadawul, Bloomberg

NOTES: (1) Prices as of last trade. Updated as of March 22, 2018
(2) WTD: Week to Date and YTD: Year to Date

Saudi Market Update

- The TASI closed 0.5% higher at 7,762 while NOMU ended 1.5% lower at 2,977 on Wednesday. TASI traded value totaled SAR 4.1bn and averaged SAR 3.7bn over the last 30 days. The five most active stocks (by value) in TASI accounted for 46% of the daily traded value.
- Both Banks and Materials ended 0.5% higher. Telecom closed 0.3% higher. Retailing (up 2.6%) was the best performer. Among stocks, Saudi Company for Hardware (4008/SHC AB), Middle East Healthcare Co. (4009/MEH AB), and Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co. (4300/ALARKAN AB) led the gainers.
- Saudi Arabia's annual inflation rate fell back marginally in February after jumping in January. Consumer prices rose 2.9% Y/Y last month after climbing 3.0% in January. (Source: Zawya)
- The Secretary General of the Media and Banking Awareness Committee of KSA banks stated that banks do not face any shortage of foreign exchange, and added that all local banks should meet client demand and provide the required bank notes or coins. (Source: Argam)
- Saudi Press Agency reported that KSA's planned megacity NEOM, and King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) signed an agreement to establish the Center for Science Excellence specialized in NEOM's project research. The new project's value is yet to be disclosed. (Source: Argam)
- The General Culture Authority (GCA) announced the launch of a new Saudi Film Council (SFC) to develop and sustain the country's film industry. (Source: Arabian Business)
- Eastern Province Cement Co.'s (3080/EACCO AB) BoD recommended a cash dividend of SAR 1.0 per share for FY17, implying a full-year yield of 3.9%. (Source: Tadawul)
- Saudi Electricity Co.'s (5110/SECO AB) BoD recommended a cash dividend of SAR 0.7 per share for FY17, implying a full-year yield of 3.3%. (Source: Argam)
- Electrical Industries Co. (1303/EIC AB) BoD recommended a cash dividend of SAR 1.0 per share for FY17, implying a full-year yield of 4.5%. (Source: Tadawul)
- Saudi Steel Pipe Co.'s (1320/SSP AB) BoD recommended withholding the cash dividend for FY17; this move is aimed at supporting the company's financial position. (Source: Argam)

Top 5 Losers

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
AL Maather REIT Fund	8.45	-4.5%	6.0
Saudi Electricity Co.	20.14	-4.5%	164.9
Al Hassan Ghazi Ibrahim Shaker	11.16	-3.4%	26.1
Al RAJHI REIT	9.33	-3.0%	22.0
Methanol Chemicals Co.	10.33	-2.8%	46.9

Most Active Stocks by Value (SAR mn)

Company	Last Close	% Change	Value (SAR mn)
Saudi Basic Industries Corp.	110.24	0.6%	477
Dar Alarkan Real Estate Development Co.	11.43	3.4%	469
Al Rajhi Bank	75.46	0.9%	416
Alinma Bank	20.19	0.6%	390
Saudi Electricity Co.	20.14	-4.5%	165

Source: Tadawul

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GCC Stock Indices

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Dubai (DFM)	3,207	0.8	0.3	-4.8	11.3
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,567	0.9	0.5	3.8	11.7
Kuwait (KSE)	6,687	-0.3	-1.1	4.4	15.1
Qatar (QE)	8,873	-1.2	0.3	4.1	13.7
Oman (MSM)	4,796	0.3	-2.1	-5.9	11.8
Bahrain (BSE)	1,336	-0.3	-1.4	0.4	8.9
DJMENA Index	554	0.1	-0.1	5.2	NA

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Global Stock Indices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	PE (TTM)
US (S&P 500)	2,712	-0.2	-1.5	1.4	22.0
US (NASDAQ 100)	7,345	-0.3	-1.8	6.4	19.1
UK (FTSE 100)	7,039	-0.3	-1.7	-8.4	13.0
Germany (DAX)	12,309	0.0	-0.6	-4.7	14.1
France (CAC 40)	5,240	-0.2	-0.8	-1.4	16.3
Russia (MICEX)	2,309	0.8	0.6	9.5	7.7
Japan (Nikkei)	21,381	-0.5	-1.4	10.4	NA
Hong Kong (HSI)	31,415	-0.4	-0.3	5.0	13.3
South Korea (KOSPI)	2,485	0.0	-0.4	0.7	16.0
China (SHCOMP)	3,281	-0.3	0.3	-0.8	16.7
India (NIFTY)	10,155	0.3	-0.4	-3.6	21.8
Brazil (IBOV)	84,977	1.0	0.1	11.2	NA
Turkey (BIST 100)	1,17,651	1.0	0.4	2.0	9.4
Egypt (EGX30)	17,147	0.2	0.9	14.2	15.4
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,210	0.0	-0.3	4.4	16.0
MSCI World	2,109	-0.1	-1.2	0.3	19.5

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters

Commodities Prices

Index	Last Close	1 Day %	WTD %	YTD %	1 Year %
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	69.5	3.0	4.9	4.1	34.6
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.6	-1.4	-1.9	-9.2	-22.4
Gold (\$/oz)	1,324	0.9	0.7	1.6	6.4
Silver (\$/oz)	16.5	1.6	0.8	-2.8	-6.1
Platinum (\$/oz)	950	0.5	0.0	2.1	-2.0
Copper (\$/t)	6,761	0.5	-1.5	-6.2	17.6
Zinc (\$/t)	3,248	1.4	-0.5	-2.7	15.6
Lead (\$/mt)	2,377	1.3	-1.6	-4.7	4.1
Wheat (\$/bu)	454	0.1	-3.0	3.0	-9.1
Corn (\$/bu)	375	0.1	-2.0	6.9	-4.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	12.7	0.9	0.2	-15.6	-28.5

Source: Bloomberg

Interest Rate Watch (3M Interbank Offer Rate, %)

Country	Last Close	1 Day Change	YTD Change	Spread*
US	2.25	0.00	0.55	0.00
Saudi Arabia	2.21	0.02	0.31	-0.04
UAE	2.28	0.07	0.48	0.03
Kuwait	1.88	0.00	0.00	-0.37
Qatar	2.62	-0.01	-0.03	0.37
Bahrain	3.00	0.00	0.28	0.75

Source: Reuters

NOTES: (1) Prices updated as of March 22, 2018 (2) WTD: Week to Date; YTD: Year to Date; NA: Not Applicable, *Spread = US 3M Rate - Country 3M Rate

GCC & Global Markets Update

- US markets ended in red on Wednesday. The S&P 500 ended 0.2% lower while NASDAQ closed 0.3% lower. Dow Jones Industrial ended 0.2% lower. In Europe, the UK declined 0.3% while Germany ended flat and France ended 0.2% lower.
- Asian markets are trading mixed on Thursday. China is trading 0.8% lower; Japan is 0.7% higher while South Korea is up by 0.6%. Hong Kong is trading 0.8% lower while India is up 0.3%.
- GCC markets ended mixed on Wednesday. Dubai and Abu Dhabi closed 0.8% and 0.9% higher, respectively. Kuwait declined 0.3%, while Qatar ended 1.2% lower. Oman gained 0.3%, while Bahrain closed 0.3% lower.
- According to the US EIA Petroleum status report, crude oil inventories were down by 2.6mn barrels (prior 5.0mn barrels) for the week ended March 16. (Source: Econoday)
- The U.S. Federal Reserve raised interest rates by 25bps to 1.75% and forecast at least two more hikes for 2018, highlighting its growing confidence that tax cuts and government spending will boost the economy and inflation, and spur more aggressive future tightening. (Source: Reuters)
- The UAE Central Bank raised its repo rate by 25bps to 2.0% and increased interest rates on certificates of deposit by a similar margin. (Source: Reuters)
- Kuwait's Central Bank raised its discount rate by 25bps to 3.0% in order to support its currency, after the U.S. Federal Reserve's decision to hike rates by the same margin. (Source: Zawya)
- According to Dubai Statistic Centre, the annual consumer price index (CPI) rose 2.3% Y/Y in February 2018. The rise is ascribed to a 74.6% increase in the price of tobacco products, a 12.6% rise in restaurant and hotel prices, a 9.3% increase in transportation costs. (Source: Arabian Business)
- According to the World Bank's biannual Gulf Economic Monitor, the GCC region witnessed another year of disappointing economic performance in 2017. However, it added that it expects growth to accelerate in 2018 and 2019. (Source: TradeArabia)
- According to Oman's Ministry of Oil & Gas, new gas finds bolstered the country's total gas reserves to 24.96tn cubic feet (TCF) as of end-2017. (Source: GulfBase)
- Kuwait's Public Authority for Industry (PAI) plans to set up a multi-purpose industrial city in the country with total expected investments of USD 6.6bn (KWD 2bn). (Source: Zawya)
- Kuwait's Directorate General of Civil Aviation stated the country is considering building a new USD 12bn (KWD 3.6bn) world-class mega-airport, with a capacity of 25mn passengers a year, to meet rapid growth in air traffic. (Source: TradeArabia)
- Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) awarded China National Petroleum Corporation's (CNPC) subsidiary PetroChina a 10% stake in the Umm Shaif and Nasr concession, and a 10% stake in the Lower Zakum concession. (Source: Arabian Business)

Coming Up

- US jobless claims for the week ended March 17 (prior: 226K; consensus: 225K) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- Change in the Japan's CPI for February 2018 (prior: 0.4% M/M, 1.4% Y/Y) will be announced today. (Source: Econoday)
- US EIA Petroleum status report on weekly change in crude oil inventories for the week ended March 23 (prior -2.6mn barrels) will be announced on March 28. (Source: Econoday)

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